GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services – P.R. & R.D. Department – Serious allegation of irregularities on misuse of Cement supplies to Government priority works taken up under MGNREGA convergence funds in Madakasira Constituency of Sri Satyasai District – Disciplinary proceedings against **Sri PSS Ravi Kumar, the then Mandal Engineering Officer, Madakasira** and presently working as Assistant Engineer, O/o. Executive Engineer, PIU Division, Badvel under Rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991- Articles of charges - Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.19 **Dated:10.01.2025.**

Read:

G.O.Rt.No.15, PR&RD (Vig.II) Department, Dt:10.01.2025.

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ORDER:

In pursuance of the sanction accorded by the Government for instituting common disciplinary proceedings under Rule 24 of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991, among others, against **Sri PSS Ravi Kumar, the then Mandal Engineering Officer, Madakasira** and presently working as Assistant Engineer, O/o. Executive Engineer, PIU Division, Badvel, it is proposed to hold an enquiry against him in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to hold is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charges (Annexure-I and II). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-III and IV).

3. **Sri PSS Ravi Kumar, the then Mandal Engineering Officer, Madakasira** and working as Assistant Engineer, O/o. Executive Engineer, PIU Division, Badvel, is directed to submit his written statement of defense within ten (10) days of the receipt of this order.

4. **Sri PSS Ravi Kumar, the then Mandal Engineering Officer, Madakasira** and presently working as Assistant Engineer, O/o. Executive Engineer, PIU Division, Badvel is informed that an enquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge, which are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. **Sri PSS Ravi Kumar, the then Mandal Engineering Officer, Madakasira** and working as Assistant Engineer, O/o. Executive Engineer, PIU Division, Badvel, is further informed that, if he does not submit his written statement of defense on or before the date specified in Para-3 above, or does not appear in person before the inquiring authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of the A.P.C.S. [CC&A] Rules, 1991, or the orders/directions issued in pursuance

of the said rules, the inquiring authority may hold the inquiry against him ex-parte.

6. Attention of Sri PSS Ravi Kumar, the then Mandal Engineering Officer, Madakasira and working as Assistant Engineer, O/o. Executive Engineer, PIU Division, Badvel, is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matter pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with these proceedings, it will be presumed that he is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this G.O. may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada.
Sri PSS Ravi Kumar, the then Mandal Engineering Officer, Madakasira and working as Assistant Engineer, O/o. Executive Engineer, PIU Division, Badvel **(w.e)**
(**through** the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, AP, Vijayawada) (with a request to serve the charges on the individual and furnish a served copy to Govt., immediately).

Copy to:

The Collector & District Magistrate, Puttaparthy, Sri Satyasai District.
The Secretary to VC, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, A.P., Velagapudi
The PR&RD (Estt.I) Department.
SF/SC.

//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

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ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT SHOWING THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI PSS RAVI KUMAR, THE THEN MANDAL ENGINEERING OFFICER, MADAKASIRA AND WORKING AS ASSISTANT ENGINEER, O/O. EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PIU DIVISION, BADVEL

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Charge:

That Sri PSS Ravi Kumar, presently Assistant Engineer, O/o. the Executive Engineer, PIU Division, Badvel and while working as Mandal Engineering Officer, Madakasira, had committed certain irregularities for misuse of 5365.10 Mts of Cement costing Rs.2,52,16,017/- supplied for Government priority works taken up under MGNREGS convergence funds in Madaksira Constituency of Sri Satyasai District along with four (4) other PR Engineering Personnel and he is responsible for claiming bills for supply of Cement for works which were not grounded thereby causing loss to Government and failed to monitor the supply, utilization and balance stocks of Cement, thereby caused misuse of Cement.

By his above mentioned acts, Sri PSS Ravi Kumar, presently working as Assistant Engineer, O/o. Executive Engineer, PIU Division, Badvel, who worked as Mandal Engineering Officer, Madakasira failed to discharge his duties, lack of integrity and for behaving in a manner unbecoming of a Government servant and thereby contravened Rule 3(1) and 3(2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI PSS RAVI KUMAR, THE THEN MANDAL ENGINEERING OFFICER, MADAKASIRA AND WORKING AS ASSISTANT ENGINEER, O/O. THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PIU DIVISION, BADVEL

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The Collector & District Magistrate, Sri Sathya Sai District, Puttaparthy has addressed a D.O. Letter No. 04/2022, dated:26.07.2022 to the Government and reported that a team of three (3) Deputy Executive Engineers, O/o. Superintending Engineer, PR, Anantapuramu have enquired into the allegations on misuse of cement supplies to Government Priority works and also CC road works taken up under MGNREGS works in Madakasira Constituency. The preliminary report provisionally concluded that about (20423.78) bags of cement was unaccounted for. The Executive Engineer, PR, Vig. & QC., reported that, they could observe a difference of (7124) bags of Cement during verification of works done so far and recommended for an in depth revision of the supplies done, work wise to firmly arrive at the discrepancies / gaps noticed. While reporting the above issue, he has requested the Government to examine the feasibility of entrusting the case to Vigilance & Enforcement Department for enquiry into the matter, among others.

2. Government have examined the matter and felt that prima facie, there is a deliberate misuse of Cement supplies meant for public works taken up under MGNREGS. Accordingly, vide U.O. Note NO.PRR01-PREOMISC/6/2022-Vig.II, PR&RD (Vig. II) Department, Dt:16.08.2022, have entrusted the matter to the Director General, G.A (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department for enquiry of the whole issue in depth and submit report for taking further action.

3. In pursuance the Director General, G.A (V&E) Department has furnished Vigilance Report No.06 (C.NO.4800/V&E/E/2022), dt:09.02.2024 and informed that a total quantity of 11,713.10 MTs of cement was procured with the Government funds in Madakasira Constituency of Sri Satyasai District, in which 6348.00 MTs of cement was utilized for the intended purpose. As there is no availability of balance quantity of cement at the site or in the possession of Department, it is evident that the remaining 5365.10 MTs of cement was put to wrong use, thereby caused misappropriation of Government money for an amount of Rs.2,52,16,017/-. The Mandal wise abstract is as follow:

Name of Mandal	No of Works	Quantity of Cement Procured in MTs	Cement procured with Govt. funds & Utilized in MTs	Physical Balance as per Register in MTs	Physical Balance available at Site in MTs	Miss use of Cement in MTs	Cost of Misused cement in Rs
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5) = 3-4	6	(7) = 5-6	(8) = 7 * 4700
Madakasira	129	3992.10	2254.00	1738.11	0	1738.11	81,69,117

Rolla	32	1057.50	607.35	450.15	0	450.15	21,15,705
Gudibanda	69	2200.00	1131.36	1068.64	0	1068.64	50,22,608
Amarapuram	84	2563.50	1457.51	1105.99	0	1105.99	51,98,153
Agali	66	1900.00	897.78	1002.22	0	1002.22	47,10,434
Total	380	11713.10	6348.00	5365.10	0	5365.10	2,52,16,017

4. The Director General, Vigilance &Enforcement, has recommended for initialization of Disciplinary action against Sri PSS Ravi Kumar, presently Assistant Engineer, O/o. Executive Engineer, PIU Division, Badvel and while working as Mandal Engineering Officer, Madakasira among other recommendations.

5. As per the findings of V&E Report, Sri PSS Ravi Kumar, presently Assistant Engineer, O/o. Executive Engineer, PIU Division, Badvel and while worked as Mandal Engineering Officer, Madakasira is responsible for misuse of 5365.10 Mts of Cement costing Rs.2,52,16,017/- supplied for Government priority works taken up under MGNREGA convergence funds in Madaksira Constituency along with four (4) other PR Engineering Personnel and for claiming bills for supply of Cement for works which were not grounded thereby causing loss to Government exchequer and failed to monitor the supply, utilization and balance stocks of Cement, thereby caused misuse of Cement

By his above mentioned acts, Sri PSS Ravi Kumar, presently Assistant Engineer, O/o. Executive Engineer, PIU Division, Badvel, who worked as Mandal Engineering Officer, Madakasira failed to discharge his duties, lack of integrity and for behaving in a manner unbecoming of a Government servant and thereby contravened Rule 3(1) and 3(2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964

Hence, the charge.

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ANNEXURE-III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI PSS RAVI KUMAR, THE THEN MANDAL ENGINEERING OFFICER, MADAKASIRA AND WORKING AS ASSISTANT ENGINEER, O/O. THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PIU DIVISION, BADVEL ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

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1. From the Collector & District Magistrate, Puttaparthy, Sri Satya Sai District, D.O. Letter No. 04/2022, dt: 26.07.2022.
2. Govt. U.O.Note No. PRR01-PREOMISC/6/2022- Vig. II, PR&RD (Vig.II) Dept., dT: 16.08.2022.
3. From the DG, G.A (V&E) Dept. Vigilance Report No. 06 (C.No. 4800/V&E/E/2022), dt: 09.02.2024.

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ANNEXURE-IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED AGAINST SRI PSS RAVI KUMAR, THE THEN MANDAL ENGINEERING OFFICER, MADAKASIRA AND WORKING AS ASSISTANT ENGINEER, O/O. THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PIU DIVISION, BADVEL

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- NIL –

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